

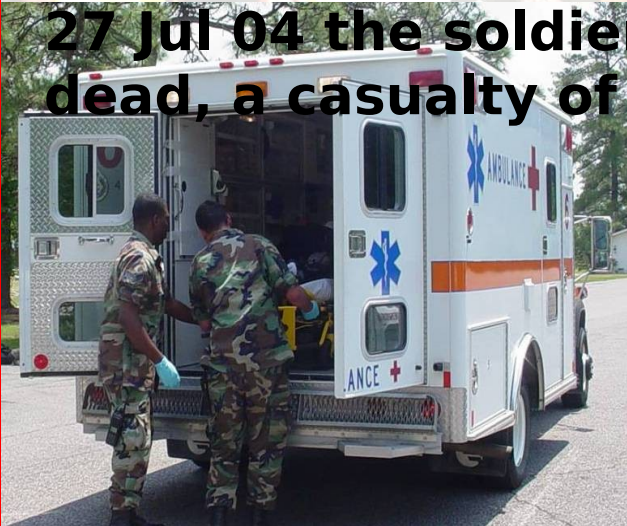


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SAFETY DIVISION

On 26 Jul 04, a Ft Bragg soldier collapsed after a unit PT run along Ardennes Street. The soldier was transported to WAMC. Over the next 24 hours the soldier's condition continued to deteriorate. At 2020 on 27 Jul 04 the soldier was pronounced dead, a casualty of heat stroke.



Heat injuries have a direct impact on mission capabilities. Heat injuries can seriously injure soldiers, which may result in a permanent profile or their separation from the military.

Heat injury occurs primarily when a soldiers tries to exceed their current physical and medical capability.

XVIII Airborne Corps Master Policy Letter 21 states that runs greater than 5 miles as high risk events. High Risk events must have the approval of the first O-6 in the chain of command. Risk assessment is part of every planning process, commanders should utilize the risk assessment process to prevent heat casualties. Leaders are asked to remind their soldiers to remain hydrated prior to strenuous physical activity.



This accident could have been prevented!

COMMAND ATTENTION REQUIRED